

MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents and Elementary Principals

FROM: Alyson Luther, Textbook Adoption Committee Chairperson

DATE: December 17, 2010

SUBJECT: Scientifically-Based Core Reading Program Pilot Opportunity

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) is pleased to inform all Indiana elementary schools of an opportunity to pilot a scientifically- based core reading program for the duration of the 2011-12 and 2012-13 school years. This offer is available only to those schools that did not adopt a core reading program from the State Board approved list from the 2006 Reading adoption. The details regarding corporation participation are outlined below. Please note that there is a capacity for each of the participating publishers for this pilot opportunity and corporations will be selected, by the publishers, through an application process. School corporations may apply to more than one publisher, although corporations may only pilot one program (e.g. Corporations may apply to Company A and Company B, be chosen by Company A and Company B but may only choose to pilot either Company A or Company B, not both). IDOE cannot guarantee participation solely based on a completion of the application. Any questions about corporation eligibility should be referred to Alyson Luther, Textbook Adoption Chair, at aluther@doe.in.gov.

Timeline of Events

January 10 – February 11: Eligible corporations are able to view the pilot materials at the Regional Education Service Centers listed below.

January 10 – February 11: Submission of eligible corporation application(s) to interested publisher(s). A link to the application for each company will be provided in early January through a SAMS/PAMS notice.

February II: Applications due to respective publisher(s) by 4:00 E.S.T. Late applications will NOT be accepted. Applicant eligibility will be verified by IDOE.

March 25: Announcement of selected pilot schools from IDOE will be released through SAMS/PAMS and posted to the textbook adoption website at www.doe.in.gov/opd/textbook.

Public Review Sites: Detailed information for each of the participating Regional Education Service Centers is available at www.doe.in.gov/htmls/esc.html. Please note the change in address for Region 8. Additionally, interested parties should plan to arrive 30 minutes prior to closing in order to allow for review.

| Region I: SIEC | 800-264-6641 | M-F 8:00-4:30 (closed 1/17) |
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| 1102 Tree Lane Drive, Jasper, IN | or | |
| | 812-482-6641 | |
| Region 2: Wilson Education Center | 800-326-5467 | M-F 8:00-4:00 (closed 1/17) |
| 2101 Grace Avenue, Charlestown, IN 47111 | or | |
| | 812-256-8000 | |
| Region 4: ECESC | 800-669-3010 | M-F *:00-4:00 (closed 1/17) |
| 1601 Indiana Avenue, Connersville, IN 47331 | or | |
| | 765-825-1247 | |
| Region 5: Wabash Valley Education Center | 765-463-1589 | M-F 7:30-4:00 (closed 1/17) |
| 3061 Benton Street, West Lafayette, IN 47906 | | |
| Region 6: NWIESC | 219-922-0900 | M-F 7:00-5:00 (closed 1/17) |
| 2939 41st Street, Highland, IN 46322 (door "H") | | |
| Region 7: NIEC | 800-326-5642 | M-F 8:00-4:00 (closed I/I7) |
| 56535 Magnetic Drive, Mishawaka, IN 46545 | | |
| Region 8: Region 8 ESC | 800-669-4565 | M-F 8:00-4:00 (closed 1/17) |
| 251 West 850 North, Decatur, IN 46733 | | |
| Region 9: CIESC | 317-387-7130 | M,W,F 7:00-5:00 |
| 6321 La Pas Trail, Indianapolis, IN 46268 | | Tuesday 7:00 – 7:30 (closed I/I7) |

Due to capacity, WCESC is not able to house review copies of reading pilot materials. Eligible schools in Region 3 should contact Alyson Luther at aluther@doe.in.gov to arrange alternate options for review.

If you have questions, please contact Alyson Luther at <u>aluther@doe.in.gov</u>.